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A fresh approach

Broadway costume designer joins ISU Theatre department

By Michaela.Ramm
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Theater is theater to one Broadway veteran who has worked on ISU Theatre's latest production, all while taking an unusual route toward her degree.

Sara Jablon was this year's guest costume designer for ISU Theatre's production of "Spring Awakening," which had its last performance Oct. 12.

This is not Jablon's first backstage experience in a theater production. Before coming to ISU Theatre, Jablon had worked for major theater productions on Broadway in New York City.

Jablon had worked 12 years on Broadway for major productions, including "The Lion King," "Rent," "Cabaret" and "Urine Town." She spent 10 years on "The Lion King" alone, working in wardrobe as a dresser.

"It's fun, but it's work just like everything else," Jablon said. "We compare it to Groundhog Day a lot, because it is literally the same. It can get a little numbing, but I would have never given it up."

Jablon began her training in high school, and continued the profession for most of her life. She moved to New York City after obtaining her undergraduate degree and attained a Masters in Fine Arts from New York University.

Jablon was chosen as this year's guest costume designer for the first show in ISU Theatre's 100 year celebration, "Spring Awakening." This is her second consecutive year as the theater's guest costume designer.

The process of designing costumes for a theater production includes a lot of collaboration with the director. As a costume designer, it is Jablon's job to translate the director's vision onto the actors.

"The costume designer is in charge of what people will wear," Jablon said. "It starts with reading the script a lot, and going to meetings where you just do a lot of talking."

She said she best translates her ideas into reality by sketching.

"Once we settled with an idea, I start sketching, which is how I make my decisions," Jablon said. "I do a sketch for every character and show them to the director. Then, she approves it or changes it."

Once the design is approved, it becomes

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Richard Martinez/Iowa State Daily
Sara Jablon, graduate student in fashion and design, created the individual costumes and outfits worn by the actors in the ISU theater department's play, Spring Awakening.



Richard Martinez/Iowa State Daily
A wall of fabrics sits in the design studio of Fischer Theater. Jablon collaborates with multiple members in the department who help bring her visions of a character's outfit to reality.



Richard Martinez/Iowa State Daily
Actors prepare to go on stage by getting into their costumes, designed by graduate student Sara Jablon, for the Iowa State Theatre Department's play, Spring Awakening, on Oct. 10.

Ernst, Braley spar in final debate

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Less than three weeks until Election Day, candidates for Iowa's open U.S. Senate joined each other on stage one final time Oct. 16 to debate their positions.

The debate took place at Morningside College in the Eppley Auditorium and was broadcast on Nexstar television stations.

U.S. Rep Bruce Braley, a four term Democrat currently representing Iowa's first district, debated state Sen. Joni Ernst, a Republican from Red Oak. The Senate seat is being vacated by retiring U.S. Sen. Tom Harkin.

Both candidates opened the debate paying tribute to Doug Butzier, the Libertarian senate candidate, who died earlier in the week. Butzier was killed when the plane he was piloting crashed near Dubuque.

The first question was on Ebola, where both candidates agreed that a flight ban on countries where the disease is rapidly spreading might be a good policy to pursue. Braley mentioned that he was in Washington earlier in the day to attend a house hearing. Ernst said a flight ban should also be accompanied by more aid to countries and increased screening at airports.

Ernst's portrayed support for the so-called "personhood amendment" in television ads was a point of contention. The Braley campaign said Ernst's support calls for a complete ban on abortion and would also limit access to, and in some cases, ban, contraception. Ernst responded, tried to clarify and defend her position.

"I do support life," Ernst said. "There would be certain exceptions, but it's something that has to be discussed. The life of the mother, I think that would be important [to allow an abortion]."

Braley, who is pro-choice, also said he "supports life," but said he does not support the recent Supreme Court decision allowing companies to choose the types of contraception that are covered for female employees.

Timothy Hagle, a professor of political science at the University of Iowa, said this was low-point in Ernst's performance at the debate.

"The moderator shot a series of questions at her, which may have been the thing that threw Ernst off," Hagle said. "She said the words 'pro-life' an awful lot of times without outlining some specifics of what that actually means."

Discussion of the influence of outside groups spending money on the race was a point of contention. According to the Wesleyan Media Project, over 13,000 ads have been aired this election cycle in Iowa.

When discussion turned to embarrassing TV ads, the conversation shifted to Braley supporting limits on outside spending and tougher rules on disclosure of money. Ernst said she supports the right to free speech in politics, but even admitted she doesn't watch TV anymore because of so many ads.

Kelly Winfrey, professor at the Catt Center for Women and Politics at Iowa State, said this was one of Braley's high points in the debate. She also said Braley had "more substance" in the debate and did a better job of articulating what he plans to do as a senator.

"Overall, I thought [Braley] seemed very passionate and sincere, and less robotic, like he seemed in the first debate," Win-

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Violence leaves chairs empty at dinner tables

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Nearly 200 empty chairs lined the sidewalk on the lawn of Central Campus, each representing a tragedy that happened within a home in Iowa.

Each of the 197 chairs, leading from the Margaret Sloss House to the Memorial Union, represents every man, woman, and child in Iowa who has lost his or her life to domestic violence since January 1995.

Each individual chair has a person's name, as well as his or her story.

Violence Leaves an Empty Chair at the Table took place from 10:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Oct 16. The event was sponsored by the Margaret Sloss Women's Center, Student Counseling Services and the Assault Care Center Extending Shelter and Support in Ames.

The goal of the event is to spread awareness of domestic violence.

Anasia Sturdivant is the Youth Domestic Violence Coordinator at ACCESS and said raising awareness is the best way to help others.

"It helps open people's eyes," Sturdivant said. "Just seeing these stories creates an 'aha' moment for people where they realize it's a lot worse than they

thought."

ACCESS wanted to reach out to people in order to teach them about the issue.

"This event is meant to show people that this problem is real and it's not just something you see in the media," said LaShawn Wright, a domestic abuse advocate for ACCESS and an ISU alumna. "It's something that happens in the home, whether it's your neighbor or even within your own home."

By informing students on campus about the issue, Wright said it would help make a difference.

"Domestic violence is not something that will stop overnight, but by bringing awareness on campus, we could help change that," Wright said.

Leah Clark, a graduate student in educational leadership, said she was shocked at the number of chairs there were representing individuals from Iowa.

"It's definitely caused me to start thinking a lot about this issue," Clark said. "Reading these stories and thinking about them definitely makes it all seem more real."

Sturdivant said this passive event is effective in not only making people aware but also gaining their interest.

"After events like this, we get a lot more feedback from people



Kelby Wingert/Iowa State Daily
October is Domestic Violence Awareness month. Each of these 197 empty chairs represents a person who has died from domestic violence in Iowa since January 1995.

wanting to help out," Sturdivant said.

The most important part of the event is to offer assistance to those who may be suffering from domestic violence or know someone who is, Sturdivant said.

"We get people who think they know someone in a violent situation and come to us for questions on how to help," Sturdivant said.

According to Sturdivant, events like this are important to inform others on resources

offered by ACCESS and other domestic violence shelters.

If you wish to contact ACCESS about a domestic violence problem, they can either be contacted on their website or by calling one of their crisis lines. The services offered are free and confidential.

Sexual Abuse Crisis Line: 1-800-203-3488

Domestic Violence Crisis Line: 1-855-983-4641

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58
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SUNDAY
Cloudy throughout the day and clear at night.

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Weather provided by ISU Meteorology Club.

Police Blotter

The information in the log comes from the ISU and City of Ames police departments' records.

All those accused of violating the law are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

Oct. 5

Christian Peterson, 21, of 2816 Wood Street, Ames, was arrested and charged with public intoxication at Knapp Street and Sheldon Avenue (reported at 1:41 a.m.).

lated investigation at Armory (reported at 2:00 p.m.).

An individual reported receiving a harassing communication at Schilleter Village (reported at 5:23 p.m.).

An individual reported the theft of a bike at Lyon Hall (reported at 8:08 p.m.).

Oct. 8

An individual reported the theft of newspapers from multiple buildings at Hamilton Hall (reported at 10:58 a.m.).

An individual reported damage to a motorcycle at East Campus Parking Deck (reported at 11:18 a.m.).

Officers checked the welfare of a resident who was experiencing emotional difficulties at Frederiksen Court. The individual was referred to counseling services (reported at 10:10 p.m.).

Oct. 6

An officer checked the welfare of a resident at University Village (reported at 3:12 p.m.).

An officer reported graffiti painted on a railroad bridge overpass at 6th Street (reported at 2:20 p.m.).

An individual reported receiving harassing telephone calls at Parks Library (reported at 5:17 p.m.).

An officer investigated a property damage collision at Lot 41 (reported at 5:13 p.m.).

Alexander Burns, 18, of 1600 Tuley Street, Cedar Hill, TX, was arrested and charged with possession of a controlled substance and possession of drug paraphernalia at Helser Hall (reported at 7:12 p.m.).

An individual reported being assaulted by an unknown person at State Avenue (reported at 5:35 p.m.).

An individual reported the theft of items from a room at Wilson Hall (reported at 6:01 p.m.).

Oct. 9

An individual reported the theft of a bike at Bio-Renewables Laboratory (reported at 12:28 p.m.).

An officer checked the welfare of a resident at Martin Hall (reported at 11:19 p.m.).

An individual reported being harassed by an acquaintance at Catt Hall (reported at 12:32 p.m.).

Oct. 7

An officer initiated a drug re

SNAPSHOT



Blake Lanser/Iowa State Daily

Student cruises through campus with canine

Johnathan McNear, senior in management information systems, and his dog **Coco** cruise down Osborn drive Thursday. The high for the day was 72 degrees and sunny. Many students have been taking advantage of days where the weather is nice.

Weekend sports schedule

FRIDAY

Cross Country at Wisconsin Adidas Invitational, 11 a.m.
Swimming, Diving vs. South Dakota State, 6 p.m.
Soccer vs. West Virginia, 7 p.m.
Women's golf at Stanford Intercollegiate

SATURDAY

Volleyball at Texas Tech, 10 a.m.
Swimming, Diving vs. Nebraska, 10 a.m.
Softball vs. Kirkwood Community College, 12 p.m., 2 p.m.
Hilton Madness, 6 p.m.
Football at Texas, 7 p.m.
Women's golf at Stanford Intercollegiate

Online Content

LECTURE

Cyd Zeigler visits campus

Cyd Zeigler, cofounder of the Nike LGBT Sports Coalition, visited the ISU campus to discuss LGBT athletes and their moments in sports history. For the full story, go online to the news section of the Daily's website.

MORE INFO

Gay marriage timeline

The Supreme Court paved the way for gay marriage in numerous states last week. After reading about how it affects Iowa in the news section, go online or the app to check out a timeline of gay marriage in the United States.

STATISTICS

Domestic violence

The Margaret Sloss Women's Center set empty chairs on its lawn on Thursday to represent those who lost their lives because of domestic violence. After reading the Daily's story on the event, go online or on the app to find more statistics on domestic violence.

POLL NUMBERS

Senate race

Congressman Bruce Braley and state senator Joni Ernst had a debate on Thursday night. After reading the recap in print, check out the Daily's app or website to find the most recent poll numbers for the race.

SPORTS

Weekend previews

This weekend will be a busy one for ISU athletics. After checking out the sports section, go online to find previews for more sports. There, readers will find stories about upcoming competitions for softball, volleyball and more.

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Readers of the Iowa State Daily responded to an online poll question regarding the midterm elections. We asked on our website, "Do you plan to register and vote early this week?" Students and Ames community members were able to go to the Memorial Union for early voter registration and voting.

Calendar

Oct. 17

Disability Awareness Summit
8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. in the Memorial Union
The summit will discuss success and opportunities for change, related to assisting people with disabilities on

state Board of Regents campuses and communities.

Oct. 18

Hilton Madness
6 p.m. at Hilton Coliseum
The community will have a chance to meet the men's and women's basketball

teams as well as watch a 3-point contest, dunk contest and the football game at Texas.

Dance contest: 'Flow'
7 p.m. in Forker Building
Contest presented and put on by Co'Motion Dance Theater.

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As of October 2014, these are the individual states who have begun providing licenses for same-sex marriages





Courtesy of Wikimedia Commons

The prices for ulcerative colitis medications are through the roof in today's economy. However, thanks to Obamacare, these medications as well as others are more readily available to those truly desparate and lowers their out-of-pocket cost. An illness that causes similar symptoms to ulcerative colitis, Chronic Kidney Disease, is most common in people over the age of 70. Glawe is only 22 years old and has to fight this terrible disease.

Thank you Obamacare

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Let's get personal. About two months ago, I visited the clinic in my hometown to consult my doctor because of various complications I was having with my health. For instance: I was never hungry and my weight had dropped from around 150 lbs in high school to 130 now. People constantly approach me about my weight, "Michael, are you getting enough to eat down there at college?" The change is noticeable, and it renders me utterly self-conscious.

Occasionally I suffer from joint pain, I have had severe swelling in my foot, and sometimes I can't walk. The pain can be so intense that I have to skip class. I thought I had fractured my foot somehow and it simply wasn't healing.

Worst of all was the constant fatigue. I was always tired, even after taking a nap – my body just wanted to sleep. Still, when I climb stairs, I have to take a break on the landings because I get light-headed. People who are close to me know that I love reading and writing. They're as essential to me as breathing. Because of the fatigue, I couldn't last through a couple pages of my favorite writers. Sometimes this caused me so much frustration, I'd break down and sob.

I felt that my body was failing me. Or, perhaps conversely, I was failing it.

I thought all of this could be attributed to the fact that I have ulcerative colitis (UC), a condition I was diagnosed with in high school. It's a severe and potentially life-threatening condition that puts me at a much greater risk for colon cancer. Oh, and it will stick with me for the rest of my life.

I had been off medication for a few years (which was thoroughly irresponsible) so I figured if I could just get back on the medication, all of my problems would be solved.

My doctor ordered up some blood tests, renewed my prescription and sent me on my way. For those who don't know, Lialda, a common medication for UC, costs in the hundreds of dollars if you are uninsured. I've seen the price range from \$250 to \$950... and that will get you by for one month.

I take pause here to encourage the reader to support any legislation regarding funding of inflammatory bowel disease research. Living with it is an uncomfortable and difficult condition, and legislation that seeks to reduce costs of medication or to expand our knowledge of it goes a long way by helping the Crohn's and colitis community.

A week later, I was moving my girlfriend into her apartment when I received a phone call from my doctor, who expressed concern over my blood tests. He advised me to get another check up. After a follow up blood test and an ultrasound, my doctor at McFarland Clinic here in Ames diagnosed me Stage IV

Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD).

It was then that I found the culprit, or at least the accomplice, to all of my health problems. The fatigue (anemia), the foot swelling (gout), and weight loss.

For those of you who don't know, kidney disease involves the deteriorating function of the kidneys. Basically, the kidneys can no longer filter out waste products from the bloodstream. CKD can lead to anemia, heart disease and even a stroke. Kidney failure, when the functionality drops below around 10%, is fatal without immediate attention. This is called End Stage Renal Disease, or Stage V Kidney Disease, of which I am on the precipice. In most cases, CKD is very mild and more severe forms only happen in older populations – it is most common among adults older than 70 years.

Being 22 years old, I am a very rare exception.

A part of me is literally dying, and there's not a lot I can do. I have plunged into a new realm of living where the phrase "weighing your options" is a legitimate concern. Dialysis and/or a kidney transplant are pretty much my only options. Though, I can slow the kidney failure by watching what I eat. It is here that I must give credit to those in the field of Dietetics. They represent the future of preventive care – the kind of care that will keep my kidneys alive.

The cost of a kidney transplant, without insurance, is the same as a

house. The estimated U.S. average per transplant in 2011 was \$262,000. I cannot imagine what life would be like for someone who has ulcerative colitis, a preexisting condition, who is denied coverage for a kidney transplant or must pay hefty premiums. A kidney transplant will literally save someone's life, but that someone will be slapped with an outrageous, life changing burden.

The Affordable Care Act prevents insurance companies from denying someone like me the adequate coverage to stay alive. Tens of millions of uninsured and underinsured people who have entered the exchanges can now live a safer and more secure life because of Obamacare. Premiums are much lower than expected, our deficits are projected to shrink year by year and the growth of health care costs are finally beginning to slow.

The Affordable Care Act alleviates the heavy burdens that UC and CKD patients face, and most of all, it will save lives.

When you think of ACA or any other form of legislation that seeks to aid people who are stricken with severe health complications, think of me. Think of people like me, but less fortunate and poverty stricken, who otherwise wouldn't have access to adequate care. They are the faces of health care reform, not the people who, with no evidence, and against overwhelming data, claim it's a catastrophe.

Seriously, thanks very much, Obama.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Retracting hateful words about GSB

By Robert Dunn, senior in accounting

I would like to officially and publicly retract and renounce my letter attacking the Government of the Stu-

dent Body as hostile toward any group. It was wrong, hasty and inappropriate to target an entire body.

I specifically retract the statement where I claimed that GSB is hostile to those who hold conservative val-

ues. They do not in fact.

I would also like to clarify comments that I made in a letter this past August responding to a letter in regards to the Family Leader Summit.

While I strongly believe

that any conservative organization has to the right to assemble without being falsely attacked as being a "hate group," I was wrong for using the terms "Nazi and Gay Mafia!" I sincerely apologize and retract both

sentiments.

I wanted to convey that the author was trying to use the word "hate" as a way to silence debate. Tolerance goes both ways and it is hypocritical to call for tolerance and respect for

the LGBT community, yet demand those you disagree with, i.e. opponents of same sex marriage, to shut up and call them a hate group just for the fact that they have a different opinion than yours.



Actor George Takei publically revealed that he was gay in 2005, and married his boyfriend in 2008 when gay marriage was officially legalized in Iowa. Takei is an LGBTQA activist.

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Gay rights community is diverse

By Steve.Kim
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George Takei, an American actor and LGBTQA activist, recently lent his support to an under-represented minority in a culturally conservative country: Korea's LGBT community. In a speech at City Hall on May. 28, he talked about his own journey toward accepting himself as a gay man and motivated Korean LGBT members to fight for their own rights. Takei and Korean LGBT members inspired me a even though I was not interested in homosexual issues before attending the meeting.

Takei was born in Los Angeles, California to Japanese-American parents in 1937. After graduating from the University of California, Los Angeles, where he received a Bachelor of Arts in theater in 1960 and a Master of Arts in theater in 1964, he became one of the most popular American actors. He played Mr. Sulu in "Star Trek", which was a popular American TV show.

During his speech, Takei recounted a double-date he'd go on as a teenager, where he

realized he was more interested in his friend named David than his date named Monica. In addition, he couldn't sympathize with his classmates when they said, "I want to date Monica. She is so hot." Nevertheless, he felt that he had to pretend to be a straight because society was not open-minded to homosexuals at that time.

Homosexuality at the time was regarded as a disease, so homosexual bars and events had to be under the government's control until 1973. Takei stated that members of LGBT community started to demonstrate after a bunch of homosexuals were injured and arrested by police during an equal rights protest. Because all the citizens need to be treated equally in democratic country, he thought discrimination against homosexuals could not be accepted.

Finally, he revealed that he was gay to the public in 2005 and began his own LGBT campaign. He criticized several conservative politicians when the religious freedom bill, which justified rejecting homosexuals from having businesses because of their sexual orientation, was estab-

lished on CNN. He is also discussing homosexual rights all around the world by delivering speeches. After homosexual marriage became legalized in 2008, he married his boyfriend Brad, whom he has dated for twenty-seven years.

After his speech, several audience members made comments about the speech, asked him questions about homosexual issues and talked about their own experiences. Jang Minho, a Korean transgender man, said he used to be bullied by his co-workers and even family members just because of his sexual orientation.

Whenever he failed exams and job interviews, his parents and siblings blamed him because they thought he only focused on sex reversal surgery all the time and did not concentrate on studying.

Park Mina, another audience member, said that because most Koreans are close-minded toward homosexuality, she thinks it might be impossible to make a change in Korea. She also talked about the "Korean Queer Festival," which was a parade of the Korean LGBT community. During the parade, there was a confrontation between LGBT

members and some Christians from conservative churches, so the festival was almost ruined.

However, Takei encouraged homosexuals to not give up even though there are many obstacles to achieve their goals. He also stated that he would keep fighting for homosexual rights in the U.S. and argue with conservative politicians who express homophobia.

Homosexuals should not be discriminated in any democratic nations, since any kinds of discrimination are against human rights. However, the most effective way to change in Korean society as it relates to non-heterosexuality is for people to stop living in fear and be honest about their persons.

It's time for non-heterosexual identified people to take a stand for their equal rights if they want them. If gays do not accept their homosexual lives, why should they expect others to accept them? Acceptance starts with oneself and the best way to end bullying is to stand strong to your truth and against those who reject your truth. It's time to stop being weak.

Iowa does its part to prevent Ebola

By Zoë.Woods
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The new big thing on minds today is the deadly Ebola virus rearing its ugly head in West Africa. And this outbreak is by far the worst the world has seen since its existence was made known back in 1976.

This makes the risk to contract the disease here in America a lot higher. On Sept. 30 of this year, the Center for Disease Control confirmed the first travel-associated case of Ebola diagnosed in Texas.

According to the CDC, "Healthcare providers caring for Ebola patients and the family and friends in close contact with Ebola patients are at the highest risk of getting sick because they may come in contact with the blood or body fluids of sick patients."

Now all of the panicking can start, it's only a matter of time before more and more people come down with the virus right? Especially after the family of the recent vic-

tim of Ebola had to be quarantined after their refusal to remain indoors. No disrespect to the deceased by any means, however, it was just a plain thoughtless to risk getting others sick with the incurable disease.

With all of the ruckus occurring on home soil action must be taken. And luckily Iowa is doing its part. I mean, it is the smartest thing to stay ahead of the curve when it comes to something as serious as Ebola. Especially when the disease lurks on our western border only three hours away from campus.

Ashoka Mukpo an American journalist is receiving an experiment drug to hopefully curb the inevitable outcome. Mukpo is being cared for in an Omaha hospital, that is at risk of being infected.

Even with sanitary precautions there is still that slight chance of someone getting infected with it and spreading it unknowingly.

Dozens of Iowan officials, seeing the potential danger, gathered on Wednesday at the Polk County Emergency

Operations Center. It was discussed what would have to be done if a suspected Ebola case appeared within the state.

"We have the luxury to have this conversation, because it's not in real time," said Rick Kozin, director of the Polk County Health Department, in an article in the Des Moines Register.

Medical officials from different areas of the state stated they were prepared to isolate, test and treat patients with the virus.

Specific steps are being taken if such an event were to occur.

Unlike many diseases, such as the flu, Ebola cannot be transmitted via the air, experts say. It can only be caught by people who touch fluids from a person who is actively ill with Ebola or has died from it. So that means we can lay the masks to rest, just until the strain mutates and infects the air around us.

This disease became an epidemic in the African countries of Liberia, Guinea and Sierra Leone because their public health systems were

unprepared to isolate and care for patients, experts have said.

It was announced on Wednesday Federal officials will start screening some visitors from West Africa at five international airports, in hopes to stop the disease in its tracks.

As for people coming into the Des Moines National Airport, you can put your minds at ease because the airport doesn't get passenger flights from other countries including Liberia. Even the connecting flights are accounted for because those airports are being screened.

U.S. officials have expressed confidence to assure Americans that they could prevent any such outbreak of Ebola in the U.S.

Their methods would be to closely watch for cases and immediately step in to treat anyone who is ill and isolate anyone who might be infected. Hopefully the words "TO LATE," don't flash as headlines on the evening news, and nothing comes from this terrible outbreak that has taken many lives.

EDITORIAL



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Sam Mereness, junior in mechanical engineering, tests out a wheelchair with some friends at the "Step Into My World" event, part of Disability Awareness Week.

Be respectful to peers with disabilities

A noticeable and somewhat upsetting trend regarding the common courtesy of ISU students has come to light recently. Students with physical handicaps are not being given the proper courtesy they deserve. Every building on campus is wheelchair accessible and meets the standards established by the Americans with Disabilities Act. All the Cyride buses do the same, so the blame is not with the university or any policy decision. The fault rests instead with some members of the student body.

As previously mentioned, Cyride's scheduled routes are wheelchair-accessible and up-to-code regarding the requirements set forth by the ADA. Due to the sheer size of the university and the city, students who have to wear medical boots, rely on crutches or use wheelchairs for mobility often have few other options than Cyride.

The buses are among the most convenient forms of transportation on the Iowa State campus and around the Ames community for the physically handicapped, so they should be given priority on the buses.

Obviously, the majority of students using Cyride do not have physical impediments but use the transit system for the same convenient reasons. However, when the buses are so frequently overcrowded, it can be difficult for students on crutches or in wheelchairs to find space on the bus.

When sitting on a crowded bus, common courtesy dictates that a person that is able to stand comfortably should give up or at least offer their seat to a person wearing a boot or walking with the assistance of crutches.

The individual you offer your seat to may not even want to take it from you, but it is only polite to ask.

The same courtesy should be displayed on the sidewalks between classes. With tens of thousands of students walking around campus, we all know that the sidewalks and crosswalks can be difficult to navigate.

Therefore, if you see a person who may have more difficulty altering their path than you, simply step out of the way or let them go past.

Similarly, if you're walking into a building on campus and you have the opportunity to hold the door open for another person, physically handicapped or not, hold the door. It is the smallest act of courtesy you can do for someone else, and takes less than two seconds of your time.

Behaving politely in these situations is not a form of pity, nor are you singling out these students as different or lesser. You are simply acting with the same decency that you would want others to show you in a similar situation.

If you feel as though only offering your seat, providing the right of way, or holding doors open for the physically handicapped is rude to them because you only provide those courtesies to them, perhaps you could resolve your dilemma by being more polite to everyone around you. This way it won't be awkward for you when you act like a good person.

Your day is no more important than the day of the person walking in front of or behind you, so perform these simple and polite tasks and make another person's life a little bit easier. Who knows, the kindness might just come back your way when you find yourself in need.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Show respect for candidates' backers

By Michelle Aberle, freshman in event management

Midterm elections are less than 20 days away as most people know. Both parties have been working to get their voices heard. There have been numerous visits on campus by candidates and even more students advocating for them

in the free speech zone, but have we taken it too far?

I got back to my dorm yesterday from class to find that my signs on my door supporting state candidates were hidden by the opposite party's flyers. I would not have cared if there was one, however, there were 3 that were covering the names of both candidates. When I went to go take

said flyers off, parts of my posters went along with it. I am appalled by the fact that I am unable to freely express my rights given to me by the first amendment and instead have my personal property defaced.

This is not the first time I have witnessed this kind of behavior, either. A few weeks prior to this, I also had one of

my signs stolen off my door. This kind of behavior is uncalled for and downright insulting to those who want to voice their opinions, even if they differ from someone else's. This kind of freedom of expression should not be limited, especially on a college campus where we, as students, should be finding our voices.



Junior infielder Maddie Reese fields a fair ball from third base in a match against South Dakota on April 22. Reese now plays at second base for the Cyclones, showcasing her versatility has a utility player for Iowa State. Stephen Koenigsfeld/Iowa State Daily

Maddie Reese shows versatility

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Catcher, third base, left field, second base. To the uninformed listener, those positions may appear to be the start of a resume for an entire softball team.

However, to the members of the ISU softball team, those four separately allocated spots on the field all represent one thing: the positions that Maddie Reese plays.

Reese, a native of Pittsford, N.Y., transferred to Iowa State from Arkansas to begin her sophomore year and immediately jumped into various roles on the Cyclones' depth chart.

"My sophomore year I was primarily an infielder," Reese said. "But I transformed into a catcher and played a little bit of outfield. So, I kind of moved around everywhere."

Following her sophomore year, Reese split time mostly between third base and left field before finally coming full

circle to her favorite and most familiar position, second base.

"My favorite position is second base," Reese said. "That's the position I've played since I was five or six years old, so it's fun to finally be back there this year."

In high school, Reese had essentially only utilized her skills in the infield. Near the end of the summer following her senior year, however, she began to fine-tune her outfield skills in an attempt to boost her versatility.

Little did she know, her versatility would be extended to entire new level when she would hit the practice field at Cyclone Sports Complex in the fall of 2012.

Considering the standpoint that most focused athletes assume in any sport, which is to fix all of his or her attention on a specific position, it was unusual how much of the field Reese would end up covering over her three years as a Cyclone.

Despite the unlikelihood

of her situation, however, she has found success in each of her different roles which she and her teammates accredit to two key aspects: athleticism and willingness to change.

"She's super athletic and can do a lot of different things," said ISU softball coach Stacy Gemeinhardt-Cesler. "She can play second, third, anywhere in the outfield, catching. Anywhere she goes, she's going to be good."

Reese, as Gemeinhardt-Cesler can speak to, has had excellent success in the field, but also has been one of Iowa State's top producers at the plate.

However, as most coaches can attest to, without a proper attitude and willingness to make sacrifices for the sake of the team, a player will not be able to utilize his or her full potential.

However, that has not been a problem for this former Razorback.

"She is willing to do whatever she can for the team," said

senior right-handed pitcher Paris Imholz. "She'll stay after [practice], she'll ask questions, she'll do whatever she can to be the best at whatever she's asked to do."

That readiness to not only switch positions at a moment's notice, but also attack the new position with the same tenacity she attacks any other position, has proved crucial in situations where injuries and unexpected performances from teammates have resulted in an immediate need for Reese's versatile skill-set.

Last March, when an injury struck former ISU left fielder Liana Henry at a tournament in Louisville, Reese, a junior third baseman at the time, promptly and successfully replaced Henry in the outfield for an extended part of the season.

"As a coach, it's great to know that wherever we're the weakest, we can put [Maddie] and we're going to be immediately stronger," said Gemeinhardt-Cesler.

Given the graduation of

former ISU second baseman Sara Davison last spring, a new weak spot was exposed in the middle infield.

Not only did this affect Reese, who now plays the position she became familiar with in her childhood, in high school and at Arkansas, but it also impacted senior shortstop Lexi Slater, who now has to adjust to communicating with Reese instead of Davison.

"We're starting to know how each other play," Slater said. "She's doing an awesome job. She's taking extra reps all the time; we just have to get used to each other."

Despite her return to her most comfortable spot in the field, both Reese and Gemeinhardt-Cesler recognize that nothing is set in stone.

Reese is just content to be playing the game she loves.

"I'm just excited to be on the field," said Reese. "It's actually really exciting to play new positions. So, anywhere I can play that will help the team, I'm happy to play."

Women's cross country seeks to gain experience

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The ISU women's cross country is focused more on gaining experience rather than winning the Wisconsin Adidas Invitational on Friday.

The women's event features 40 teams, including 22 teams ranked inside the top-30 by the United States Track and Field and Cross Country Coaches Association.

ISU women's cross country coach Andrea Grove-McDonough hopes the invitational will help give the runners ideas for what the NCAA Championships will be like next month.

"This meet at Wisconsin is going to run very

similar to the National Championships," Grove-McDonough said. "There's going to be a lot of great runners and a lot of teams with a lot of depth. It's a really tight field, so you feel like sardines. You might be having a really good race and be 50th."

Grove-McDonough said she expects another strong performance from her top three runners but said she would like to see all six of her runners race better than they did at the Roy Griak Invitational.

"The girls in front have a lot of poise and a lot of experience," Grove-McDonough said. "We just need to make sure our four, five and six runners learn to find each other on the course, and learn how to

key-off each other a little better. It's going to be a big test for them in such a tightly-packed field."

Junior Crystal Nelson, redshirt senior Katy Moen, graduate Margaret Connelly, sophomores Bethanie Brown and Perez Rotich, redshirt freshman Erin Hooker and redshirt junior Colleen Riley are all expected to start for the Cyclones.

Brown is day-to-day with tendonitis issues but still expects to run.

"It's another opportunity to get some more experience with the top teams before Nationals," Connelly said.

The team enters the meet after completing an extensive training session recently.

"[Grove-McDonough] expects us to feel kind of tired," Nelson said. "The goal is to practice race strategy and to feel good during the race."

The Wisconsin Adidas Invitational will give Grove-McDonough one last look at her team in a regular season event.

The goal is to continue to stay healthy as post-season approaches next month.

On Nov. 1, Iowa State will travel to Lawrence, Kansas to compete in the Big 12 Championships. Next on the schedule is the Midwest Regional on Nov. 14 in Peoria, Illinois.

The team finishes the season at the NCAA Championships on Nov. 22 in Terre Haute, Indiana.



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Junior Crystal Nelson, left, races to a third-place finish at the Roy Griak Invitational on Sept. 27. The next invitational is at 11 a.m. on Oct. 17 in Madison, Wisc.



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A photograph of Iowa State quarterback Matt Allen in action. He is wearing a yellow jersey with maroon stripes on the sleeves and the number 12. He is also wearing a maroon helmet with a silver facemask. He is running with the football in his right arm. The background is a blurred crowd of spectators.

Redshirt junior quarterback Sam Richardson rushes the ball during the Homecoming game against Toledo on Oct. 11 at Jack Trice Stadium.



Iowa State's Chonlada Chayanun starts off the Cyclones in the second day of the 2013 Big 12 Women's Golf Championship at The Harvester on April 20, 2013.

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The first round will begin 10:30 a.m. Friday.

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Sophomore forward Adalie Schmidt fights against Saint Louis University's Molly Ream during the game on Aug. 31 at the Cyclone Sports Complex. The Cyclones defeated the Billikens 2-1. After a two-week break, the Cyclones are back at play.

"They are a good team and they may overlook us, we just need to come out hard and get them on their heels," Albert said.

